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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: PRE-LICENSE CHECK: CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF
PLASTICS ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY, CHENNAI, LICENSE NO. D387684

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¶1. Unauthorized disclosure of the information provided below is prohibited by Section 12(c) of the Export Administration Act.

¶2. On April 09, 2008, Export Control Officer (ECO) Paul Cushman and BIS FSN Shailendra Srivastava conducted a Pre-license Check (PLC) at the Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology (CIPET), Chennai.

¶3. BIS requested a PLC at CIPET, a Government of India (GOI) entity headquartered in Guindy, Chennai 600032. CIPET is listed as the ultimate consignee and Manav Marketing Pvt. Ltd. (MMPL) as the foreign purchaser for a 5-Axis Vertical Milling Machine controlled under ECCN: 2B001. The license applicant is Haas Automation Inc., 2800 Sturgis Road, Oxnard, CA 93030.

¶4. ECO and FSN Srivastava met with Mr. M.V. Raman Rao, Manager - Administration and Mr. P. Viswanathan, Manager - Finance and Accounts, CIPET. Mr. Randhir Jaiswal, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, arranged the meeting and was also present at the meeting.

¶5. The meeting was held at the CIPET conference room. Raman Rao did not recall any previous visits by BIS officials. He stated that CIPET is a premier institution focused on providing manpower training, research, and technical services to the plastics industry. In addition to funding received from GOI, CIPET receives financial assistance from various non-governmental organizations such as United Nations Development Program (UNDP), International Labor Organization (ILO), World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB).

¶6. Raman Rao provided copies of the MMPL Commercial Bid, HAAS Proforma Invoice, CIPET Purchase Order and the End-Use Statement. In addition, a certificate was provided confirming that this technology would not be used directly or indirectly for any nuclear engineering activities.

¶7. Mr. Raman Rao stated that the milling machine will be used for manufacturing plastic moulds, dies and products for the plastics industry as well as for training their students. He added that this equipment would also be used in the multilayer blown film extrusion plant at CIPET. The machine will be installed by MMPL at the CIPET campus in Mysore.

¶8. CIPET falls under the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals within the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers. It is ISO 9001:2000 (International Organization for Standardization) certified in the fields of "design, development and conduct of specialized training courses in plastics engineering and technology and

rendering technical/consultancy services in design, tooling, plastics processing & testing to the plastics & allied industries." CIPET plays a vital role in India's plastics industry by providing a consistent flow of well-trained engineers and technicians. In 1968, CIPET was established in Chennai with the idea of creating a uniform infrastructure facility in the areas of design, tooling, processing, testing, inspection and quality assurance. CIPET now has fifteen centers in India with approximately 800 students being trained at each campus.

19. Recommendation: All information derived during this PLC indicates that the Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology would be a suitable recipient of this controlled technology. CIPET officials cooperated fully with the BIS Team, demonstrated a legitimate need for the machine, and were appreciative of their responsibilities relative the EAR.

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